

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ESPERANZA SANABIA-ARAUJO,

Defendant.

2:19-CR-251-GMN-NJK

**Preliminary Order of Forfeiture**

This Court finds Esperanza Sanabia-Araujo pled guilty to Count 1 of a 16-Count First Superseding Criminal Indictment charging her with conspiracy to distribute a controlled substance in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 846. First Superseding Criminal Indictment, ECF No. 35; Plea Agreement, ECF No. <sup>95</sup>~~94~~; Change of Plea, ECF No. 91.

This Court finds Esperanza Sanabia-Araujo agreed to the forfeiture of the property set forth in the Plea Agreement and the Forfeiture Allegations of the First Superseding Criminal Indictment. First Superseding Criminal Indictment, ECF No. 35; Plea Agreement, ECF No. <sup>95</sup>~~94~~; Change of Plea, ECF No. 91.

This Court finds, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(1) and (2), the United States of America has shown the requisite nexus between property set forth in the Plea Agreement and the Forfeiture Allegations of the First Superseding Criminal Indictment and the offense to which Esperanza Sanabia-Araujo pled guilty.

The following property is (1) any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to a violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1), a specified unlawful activity as defined in 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(c)(7)(A) and 1961(1)(D), or 21 U.S.C. § 846,

1 conspiracy to commit such offense; (2) any property constituting, or derived from, any  
 2 proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of violations of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1)  
 3 and 846; (3) any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or  
 4 to facilitate the commission of violations of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 846; (4) all moneys,  
 5 negotiable instruments, securities, or other things of value furnished or intended to be  
 6 furnished in exchange for a controlled substance or listed chemical in violation of 21 U.S.C.  
 7 §§ 841(a)(1) and 846, all proceeds traceable to such an exchange, and all moneys, negotiable  
 8 instruments, and securities used or intended to be used to facilitate any violation of 21  
 9 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 846; (5) any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in any  
 10 knowing violation of any other criminal law of the United States, 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and  
 11 846; and (6) any firearm used or intended to be used to facilitate the transportation, sale,  
 12 receipt, possession, or concealment of property in violations of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and  
 13 846, and is subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) with 28 U.S.C. §  
 14 2461(c); 21 U.S.C. § 853(a)(1), 853(a)(2), and 853(p); 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(6) with 28 U.S.C. §  
 15 2461(c); 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) with 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c); and 21 U.S.C. § 881(a)(11) with 28  
 16 U.S.C. § 2461(c):

- 17 1. \$54,780;
- 18 2. \$50,000;
- 19 3. \$7,460;
- 20 4. a Glock 26, 9 mm, s/n BGXH541; and
- 21 5. any and all ammunition

22 (all of which constitutes property).

23 This Court finds that the United States of America may amend this order at any time  
 24 to add subsequently located property or substitute property to the forfeiture order pursuant  
 25 to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(2)(C) and 32.2(e).

26 This Court finds the United States of America is now entitled to, and should, reduce  
 27 the aforementioned property to the possession of the United States of America.

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1 NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND  
2 DECREED that the United States of America should seize the aforementioned property.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED all possessory  
4 rights, ownership rights, and all rights, titles, and interests of Esperanza Sanabia-Araujo in  
5 the aforementioned property are forfeited and are vested in the United States of America  
6 and shall be safely held by the United States of America until further order of the Court.

7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the United States  
8 of America shall publish for at least thirty (30) consecutive days on the official internet  
9 government forfeiture website, [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov), notice of this Order, which shall  
10 describe the forfeited property, state the time under the applicable statute when a petition  
11 contesting the forfeiture must be filed, and state the name and contact information for the  
12 government attorney to be served with the petition, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(6)  
13 and 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(2).

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that any individual  
15 or entity who claims an interest in the aforementioned property must file a petition for a  
16 hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the property, which  
17 petition shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury pursuant to 21 U.S.C. §  
18 853(n)(3) and 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's  
19 right, title, or interest in the forfeited property and any additional facts supporting the  
20 petitioner's petition and the relief sought.

21 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a petition, if any,  
22 must be filed with the Clerk of the Court, 333 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas,  
23 Nevada 89101, no later than thirty (30) days after the notice is sent or, if direct notice was  
24 not sent, no later than sixty (60) days after the first day of the publication on the official  
25 internet government forfeiture site, [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov).


26 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED a copy of the  
27 petition, if any, shall be served upon the Asset Forfeiture Attorney of the United States  
28 Attorney's Office at the following address at the time of filing:

1 Daniel D. Hollingsworth  
2 Assistant United States Attorney  
3 James A. Blum  
4 Assistant United States Attorney  
5 501 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Suite 1100  
6 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED the notice  
8 described herein need not be published in the event a Declaration of Forfeiture is issued by  
9 the appropriate agency following publication of notice of seizure and intent to  
10 administratively forfeit the above-described property.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Clerk send  
12 copies of this Order to all counsel of record.

13 DATED August 6, 2020.

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15 HONORABLE GLORIA M. NAVARRO  
16 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

A copy of the foregoing was served upon counsel of record via Electronic Filing on  
DATE, 2020.

/s/ Heidi L. Skillin  
HEIDI L. SKILLIN  
FSA Contractor Paralegal